

SACRAMENTO REPORT

Assemblyman Chapel Asks Advice On Juvenile Delinquency Problem

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Many letters from readers suggest that I introduce bills during the coming 1955 session of the California State Legislature for the prevention of juvenile delinquency, and yet my correspondents fail to offer concrete suggestions. I invite all who read this column to write at once to Box 777, Inglewood 1, telling me exactly what the state can do to prevent or cure juvenile delinquency.

When home, including both parents, church, and school have done their job, there is no need for new laws, new police, new courts, or new jails.
Tough Narcotics Laws
You may remember that I have repeatedly introduced in the California State Legislature bills aimed at those who deal in narcotics. During the session of March, 1954, I had some small success in helping with the passage of "one" law which increases the severity of the penalty for trafficking in dope, but once more I failed to obtain the enactment of my law making it possible for a judge to sentence to life imprisonment any adult who gives, administers, or sells narcotics to a minor; and provides for the death penalty on the second offense. I will introduce this bill again in January, 1955, and hope that you approve.

Letters Asked
In addressing organizations of teachers and clergymen, I am amazed to find that they do not understand that the most effective way to influence legislation is to write personal letters to people in public office.
Resolutions
Resolutions and petitions do not have the weight of personal separate individual letters. Of all people in the world, the three professions most able to mold the public mind and also the official mind are the clergy, the teachers, and the newspaper people. When these three groups

begin to transmit their ideas directly to their school board members, city councilmen, county supervisors, the Legislature, and the National Congress, we shall have better government, and a better United States.
Funds May Go Astray
I have retained a firm of lawyers in Los Angeles to represent me in my efforts to obtain an accounting from certain men and women who raised money in the recent political campaign with the sales pitch that it was all going to the Republican candidates as a group, when actually about 90 per cent went to only one candidate. If you have contributed to such a fund, or know someone who did, by all means write to me at P. O. Box 777, telling me how much you contributed, whether it was in cash or by check, who received it, and what he or she said to you about where the money would go. This is a great scandal. All will be revealed eventually and the guilty persons will be punished, but I do need your help in assisting me to eliminate corruption in government.

NEWS FROM NEARBY

Sheriff E. W. Biscailuz announced recently that he will ask the Legislature for action against junk vehicles which are left on streets and private property.

Because legal processes to dispose of the "junkers" are costly and time-consuming, he will ask that leaving a vehicle be made a misdemeanor.

Dec. 17 has been set for a public hearing on rezoning of unincorporated Palms Verdes peninsula territory. The County Board of Supervisors will hear discussion on residential zoning for the presently unzoned territory.

Unless Los Angeles does something about its sewer problem soon, the city may have to halt work on subdivisions and construction, City Councilman Harold A. Henry warned recently. This would be done to prevent any further burden on the city's already heavily loaded sewer systems, he said. The Los Angeles Council is considering a plan for additional facilities to discharge sewage into Santa Monica waters.

Los Angeles Harbor leads all other principal ports in the United States in ship arrivals, tonnage, and gross revenues, Harbor General Manager Bernard J. Conaghan has indicated. 1954 was the best year in history, he said.

However, I do not believe that the passage of more laws is the only answer. The prevention of juvenile delinquency begins in home, where both parents must provide an atmosphere of love. Where there is conflict, the child is disturbed in his or her normal physical, mental and emotional growth.
Assuming that a child is raised in a home where there is an atmosphere of love, the next responsibility is that of the Church. If the child goes to church or Sunday School, whether it is Jewish, Roman Catholic, or Protestant, he receives a second weapon against juvenile delinquency and on behalf of good citizenship. Therefore, at all times and at all places, all of us should give all possible help to religion. Even if there were no God, as the atheists and communists teach, the mere fact that we believe in one Supreme Ruler of the Universe, one Great Architect, gives us something to hold onto when we grow up and have to fall out of airplanes with parachutes, or lie dying in a muddy ditch in some foreign land.

Now comes the third influence against juvenile delinquency, which is the school. It may be the public school system, which I am proud to uphold and defend at all times and places, or it may be a school run by a church, which likewise can rightfully expect my help, but in this school, public or private, the child again receives help in a world of trouble and I repeat that this is the third great weapon against juvenile delinquency.

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COBABE BROS. advertisement for appliances, water heaters, furnaces, plumbing, and paints. Text: 'COBABE BROS. APPLIANCES • WATER HEATERS • FURNACES • PLUMBING • PAINTS'.

Torrance Church Calendar listing services for Nativity Catholic Church and Central Church Evangelical United Brethren.

Church listings for First Lutheran Church and Torrance Assembly of God.

Church listings for Four Square Gospel Church and St. Andrews Episcopal Church.

Church listings for The First Methodist Church and Seventh Day Adventist.

Church listings for The First Christian Church of Torrance and Hope Church Evangelical United Brethren.

Meat advertisement for Roth's Finest Quality Meats. Features: 'ROAST 25', 'SWISS STEAK 49c', 'Sliced BACON 63c', 'WORT RIBS 19', 'BONE ROAST 29'.

Meat advertisement for Kermin's Frozen Foods. Features: 'Chicken Pot Pies 4 for \$1', 'All Chicken Pies 4 for \$1', 'BEEF PIES 4 for \$1', 'TURKEY PIES 4 for \$1'.

Meat advertisement for Roth's Stop. Features: 'PRICES EFFECTIVE THURS., FRI., SAT., DEC. 2-3-4-5', '109 S. Hawthorne', '1321 Post Avenue, Torrance'.